

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of) **MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE**
Yuichi ITO et al.)
Application No.: 10/584,461) Group Art Unit: 1796
Filed: June 22, 2006) Examiner: Sanza L. McCLENDON
For: CATIONIC POLYMERIZABLE RESIN) Confirmation No.: 3314
COMPOSITION)

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

An Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanied the Notice of Allowability issued on October 13, 2009, in connection with the above-identified application. The comments in the Statement state that:

One of ordinary skill in the art would not have expected the curability and/or the transparency as found in the declarations from the teachings/composition as taught by the cited prior art (Niwa et al.). The Examiner deems the instantly claimed invention is non-obvious over the prior art. Additionally it is deemed the cited Niwa et al. references do not anticipate and/or render obvious the teachings in claims 11 and 12....

(page 2, 3rd paragraph of the Notice of Allowability).

Applicants respectfully submit that the above statement is incomplete. Specifically, the above comment does not reflect the fact that the cited Niwa et al. references do not specifically describe the compositions recited in present claims 1-10, as set forth in the previous responses.

Thus, this paper is being filed to clarify the record and point out that the comments in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be understood to imply all the grounds upon which the present claims are patentable over the cited references.

Furthermore, each and every claim independently distinguishes over the cited references on their own merits, as delineated in the features of said claims.

If there are any questions concerning this paper or the application in general, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at his earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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